MONTANA CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY CENTER POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL

Policy Subject: Completing Change of Status Forms	
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PURPOSE:

To provide guidelines for completing Change of Status forms.

POLICY:

A status form will be completed on each patient upon admission, at the time of discharge, and if a patient is transferred between programs.

PROCEDURE:

- I. At the time of admission, a status form will be completed. The status of the patient will depend if the patient is directly admitted to the primary treatment program (PTU) or if the patient requires detox. It is also based on the patient's primary drug of addiction: alcohol (ADA) or another drug (ADD).
- II. The following information will be complete on the form:
 - A. The patient's name.
 - B. Patient number.
 - C. Sex.
 - D. County of residence.
 - E. Date and time.
 - F. Commitment status.
 - G. Number of admissions.
 - H. The level of care.
 - I. The Ward to and the Ward from.
 - J. The discharge status, if the patient is leaving.
 - K. The signature of the employee completing the form.
- III. Any change of status requires a new Change of Status form is completed. Change of status include:

- A. At the time of admission.
- B. At the time of discharge.
- C. When a patient is transferred from detoxification unit to primary treatment unit.
- D. If a patient needs to be transferred from the primary treatment unit (PTU) to the detoxification unit. If a PTU patient is transferred to the medical treatment unit (MTU) for medical monitoring, there is no change of status.
- IV. The status form is in duplicate. The original goes into the patient chart and the copy is given to the reimbursement department.
- V. Employees responsible for completing the status forms are given a thorough training on the procedure of completing the status forms at the time of hire. The training includes understanding the many different codes related to commitment status, county of residence, level of care, codes for PTU and detox, and types of discharges.

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